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General Assembly

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10:00 [webcast] — 85th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Peacebuilding and sustaining peace: draft resolution (A/72/L.49) - Item 65

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/262.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers, dated as follows: 21 November 2017, 15 December 2017, 7 March 2018, 2 April 2018, 13 April 2018 and 23 April 2018.

15:00 [webcast] — 86th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

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Security Council

10:00 [webcast] — 8242nd meeting — Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

The situation in the Middle East (S/2018/369)

Followed by — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Security Council Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria)

Other matters

15:00 [webcast] — 8243rd meeting — Security Council Chamber

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Letter dated 9 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/325)

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Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament: draft decision (A/72/L.50) - Item 99 (cc)

Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/72/612/Add.1) - Item 114 (a)

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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Conference Room 4 Overflow room: Conference Room 11
10:00	Interactive dialogue 3	
11:35	Interactive dialogue 4	

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Delegations wishing to register their interest to speak are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch, Ms. Mary Muturi (muturi@un.org; 212-963-5322).

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting Executive meeting	Conference Room 10

Independent Audit Advisory Committee
Forty-second session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

UNCITRAL Working Group III (Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform)
Thirty-fifth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

10:00 to 13:00	5th meeting [webcast] Forum on financing for development follow-up Round table A Interactive discussion For details, please see "Links" Round table B Interactive discussion For details, please see "Links"	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	6th meeting [webcast] Forum on financing for development follow-up Round table C Interactive discussion For details, please see "Links" General debate	Trusteeship Council Chamber

The forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Financing for Development Office.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations. To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

All delegations are reminded to submit their nominations for participation in the round tables, as soon as possible, to the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Documents: E/FFDF/2018/1, E/FFDF/2018/2, E/FFDF/2018/INF/1 and E/FFDF/2018/L.2

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website, http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffdforum/2018-ffd-forum.html and http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffdforum/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2018/04/Draft-2018-FfD-Forum-programme.pdf

Contacts: Office of the ECOSOC Secretary, DGACM: alejandrino@un.org; FFDO DESA: Ms. Anjali Rangaswami (ministerial participation) and Mr. Tim Hilger (round tables participation): rangaswami@un.org and hilger@un.org

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

Building the awareness competencies and skills of civil servants at the national and local levels

Expert panel moderated by the Vice-Chair

Reflections on national and regional experiences

Interactive dialogue with members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

Engaging accountability mechanisms, civil society and the media in advising on and overseeing implementation of the Goals

Ensuring that civil society actors are able to participate in decision-making on implementing the Goals and contribute to progress

Nature and challenges of misconduct and corruption in the public sector, and ways forward

Expert panel moderated by the Vice-Chair

Interactive dialogue with members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Links: Accessibility and Committee of Experts on Public Administration Web page

Contacts: Mr. Patrick Spearing, Secretary of the Committee (spearing@un.org) and Ms. Adriana Ribeiro, for inquiries regarding registration, conference support and logistics (ribeiroa@un.org)

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Seventeenth session

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 8
	Regional Dialogues	
	Central and South America, and the Caribbean	
10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
	Regional Dialogues	
	North America	
15:00 to 18:00	13th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6
	PFII Members only	

Details:

Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

Links: More Info, Website, PaperSmart and e-deleGATE Portal

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-second session

Thursday, 26 April 2018

15:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

On the repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of General Assembly resolution A/RES/71/243 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of the United Nations operational activities for development

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Thematic debate [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

On strengthening the accountability, transparency and institutional memory of the Office of the President of the General Assembly

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org, 212-963-5307).

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2018 and 16 March 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Monday, 7 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — 35th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 3

The second resumed part of session 72 of the Fifth Committee will begin on 7 May 2018 in Conference Room 3.

The provisional programme of work of the Committee for the session as well as background information on the Committee and links to official documentation to be considered are available on the Committee's website.

Delegations are requested to submit any change or update to the official list of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Independent Audit Advisory Committee
Forty-second session

Thursday, 26 and Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 9

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 9

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Working Group VI (Security Interests)

Monday, 30 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 2

Session 33 of the UNCITRAL Working Group VI (Security Interests) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 30 April 2018 to Friday, 4 May 2018.

Working Group V (Insolvency Law)

Monday, 7 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 53 of the UNCITRAL Working Group V (Insolvency Law) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 7 May 2018 to Friday, 11 May 2018.

International Law Commission

Monday, 30 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Opening meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission, or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs.

Document: A/RES/72/116

Link: Website

Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee@un.org; 212-963-5331)

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

The seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Contributions will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2018.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests.

Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2018*.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee for further information (405 East 42nd Street, S-2115; tel. 212-963-4975; fax 212-963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

Security Council

Thursday, 26 April 2018

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate under the agenda item "The situation in the Middle East".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org), starting on Monday, 23 April 2018, at 09:30. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Monday, 30 April 2018

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Briefing by representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo on combating sexual violence and child recruitment in the DRC

Permanent Representative of the DRC (in NY)

DRC Presidential Adviser on Sexual Violence and Child Recruitment (via VTC)

Followed by Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

Briefings by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict

Other matters

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Friday, 27 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Briefing Conference Room 5

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance - Item 9

Details:

Briefing by the Vice-President of the Council (South Africa)

On the annual report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 9) and on preparations for the humanitarian affairs segment (19 June 2018 to 21 June 2018) of the 2018 session of the Economic and Social Council.

All are invited to attend.

Immediately following the conclusion of the meeting

Informal consultations

On the draft resolution on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 9)

Convened by the co-facilitators (Switzerland and Zambia), on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the Council (South Africa)

Links: e-deleGATE Portal, Website and https://www.un.org/ecosoc/en/events/2018/humanitarian-affairs-segment

Contacts: OCHA (Ms. Ana Jimenez De La Hoz (jimenez3@un.org) ECOSOC Affairs Branch, DGACM (Ms. Catalina De Leon or Mr. Paolo Dua (leonc@un.org or duap@un.org))

Tuesday, 1 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Plenary segment [webcast] Economic and social Council Chamber

Integration segment - Item 8

Additional information on the integration segment is available on the website of the Council.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE. The time limit set for statements is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website and https://www.un.org/ecosoc/en/node/3613435

Contact: ECOSOC Affairs Branch, DGACM (olvida@un.org)

United Nations Forum on Forests
Thirteenth session

Monday, 7 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Plenary meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

The thirteenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 7 May 2018 to Friday, 11 May 2018.

A ministerial round table will be held on Monday, 7 May 2018, in the afternoon.

For documentation and further information on the session, including the list of side events, please visit the Forum website.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers for the discussions.

In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *five minutes* (*seven minutes* for group statements).

Information on registration of participants is available from the Forum website.

For inclusion in the list of participants, delegations are requested to submit the composition of their delegations through the e-List of Participants in e-deleGATE.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 25 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

For additional information, please contact the secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

Immediately following the conclusion of session 13 of the United Nations Forum on Forests, meeting 1 of its session 14 will be convened for the sole purpose of electing its officers.

Documents: E/CN.18/2018/1, E/CN.18/2018/2, E/CN.18/2018/3, E/CN.18/2018/4, E/CN.18/2018/5, E/CN.18/2018/6 and E/CN.18/2018/7

Links: http://www.un.org/esa/forests/forum/index.html

http://www.un.org/esa/forests/forum/current-session/index.html

Contact: UN Forum on Forests Secretariat - Ms. Njeri Kariuki (kariuki@un.org); Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (list of participants-IGOs, UN agencies and entities) (alejandrino@un.org)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

UNDP work plan of engagement with the Executive Board

Briefing on the Integrated Results and Resources Framework (IRRF) Methodology and Approach (EB Decision 2017/30 OP7)

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Monday, 21 May 2018

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 6

Pre-session informal consultation on the Annual Session 2018

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 23 April 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8241st meeting

Maintenance of international peace and security

Youth, peace and security

Identical letters dated 2 March 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council (S/2018/86)

Letter dated 6 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/324)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure the President invited the representatives of Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Guatemala, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Maldives, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Portugal, Qatar, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan and Yemen to participate in the meeting.

The President invited Ms. Jayathama Wickramanayake, Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth; Mr. Graeme Simpson, Lead Author of the Progress Study on Youth, Peace and Security; Ms. Sophia Pierre-Antoine, Member of the Advisory Council of the World Young Women Christian Association; and Ms. Kessy Ekomo-Soignet, Executive Director of the Organization URU, Central African Republic, to participate in the meeting, in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President also invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: His Excellency Dan Neculăescu, State Secretary for Regional Affairs and Multilateral Global Affairs in

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations Peacebuilding Commission; His Excellency Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General for Economic and Social issues, European External Action Service of the European Union; His Excellency Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations; and Ms. Narjes Saidane, Permanent Observer of the International Organization of the Francophonie.

The Council began its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Council heard briefings by Ms. Wickramanayake, Mr. Simpson, Ms. Pierre-Antoine and Ms. Ekomo-Soignet.

Statements were made His Excellency Jacek Czaputowicz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland; and by the representatives of Kazakhstan, Kuwait, the United States, France, Ethiopia, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, Côte d'Ivoire, Sweden, the Netherlands, China, Equatorial Guinea and the Plurinational State of Bolivia; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Didier Reynders, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium, Her Excellency Marija Pejčinović Burić, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Croatia; His Excellency Mohamed Asim, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Maldives; His Excellency Gudlaugur Thor Thordarson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iceland; His Excellency Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey; Her Excellency Margaret Kobia, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs of Kenya; His Excellency Väino Reinart, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Estonia; His Excellency Srdan Darmanović, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Montenegro; His Excellency Sergiy Kyslytsya, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; and Her Excellency Pascale Baeriswyl, State Secretary of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Christian Leffler (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its Member States; candidate countries: the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the EFTA country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by Her Excellency Anne Sipiläinen, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, and His Excellency Jens Frølich Holte, Secretary of State of Norway.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Jordan, Italy, Brazil, Pakistan, Slovakia and Iraq.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Jonas Bering Liisberg, Secretary of State for Foreign Policy of Denmark.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Argentina and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Yuri Sterk, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Dan Neculăescu.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Germany, Mexico, Spain, Colombia, Japan and Ireland.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative for United Nations Alliance of Civilizations.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Chile, South Africa, Yemen, Qatar, Israel, Indonesia, Panama, Sri Lanka, El Salvador, Guatemala, Lebanon and Botswana.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Narjes Saidane.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Canada, Uzbekistan, Luxembourg, Georgia, Bangladesh, the United Arab Emirates, Monaco, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Portugal, Morocco, Azerbaijan, Tunisia and Bahrain.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

[archived video]

1st meeting

Opening of the forum

The President of the Council, Her Excellency Marie Chatardova (Czech Republic) declared open the 2018 session.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters - Item 1

The forum adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document E/FFDF/2018/1.

Oral decision

Upon the proposal by the President, the forum agreed on the rules of procedure to be applied to meetings of the forum.

Opening statements

The President of the Council made an opening statement.

The President of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly, His Excellency Miroslav Lajčák, addressed the forum.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations addressed the forum via a video message.

The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations addressed the forum.

A keynote address on the global context and mega trends was made by the High Representative of the African Union Peace Fund, Mr. Donald Kaberuka.

A special address on the messages from the High-level Conference on Financing for Development and the Means of Implementation of the 2030 Agenda was made by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Qatar, His Excellency Sultan bin Saad Al-Muraikhi.

Global trends and prospects for financing sustainable development: Perspectives from the 2018 report of the Inter-agency Task Force on Financing for Development

Statements were made by Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs and Chair, Inter-agency Task Force on Financing for Development; Roberto Azevêdo, Director-General, World Trade Organization (via video message); Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme; Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Tao

Zhang, Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund; Mahmoud Mohieldin, Senior Vice-President for the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations and Partnerships, World Bank Group; and Shamshad Akhtar, Executive Secretary, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (on behalf of the five regional commissions of the United Nations).

Ministerial round table 1

The forum held a ministerial round table chaired and moderated by the President of the Council (Czech Republic).

Statements were made by the following panellists: Neven Mimica, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission; Sahar Nasr, Minister of Investment and International Cooperation, Egypt; Mohamed Asim, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Maldives; Oleksandr Danyliuk, Minister of Finance, Ukraine; Karin Finkelston, Vice-President for Partnerships, Communications and Outreach, International Finance Corporation, World Bank Group; Norbert Barthle, Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany; and Somchith Inthamith, Deputy Minister of Industry and Commerce, Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Statements were then made by the following discussants: Elissa Golberg, Assistant Deputy Minister of Strategic Policy, Department of Global Affairs, Canada; Pio Wennubst, Assistant Director General and Head of the Global Cooperation Department, Agency for Development and Cooperation, Switzerland; and Mpho Parks Tau, President, United Cities and Local Governments.

The representative of El Salvador participated in the exchange of views.

2nd meeting

Ministerial round table 2

The round table was chaired and moderated by the President of the Economic and Social Council.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Minister of National Development Planning of Indonesia, Bambang P.S. Brodjonegoro; Minister of Finance of Mongolia, Khurelbaatar Chimed; Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal, Teresa Ribeiro; Secretary for Development Cooperation of Sweden, Ulrika Modéer; Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Liu Zhenmin; and Vice-Minister of Economic Affairs and Head of the Organization for Investment, Economic and Technical Assistance of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mohammad Khazaee.

Statements were also made by the lead discussants: Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry of Zambia, Kayula Siame; Director General of the Presidential Cooperation Agency and Acting Mayor of the City of Cartagena, Colombia, Sergio Londoño Zurek; and Chief Executive Officer of Agence Française de Développement, Rémy Rioux.

Launch of the Joint Fund for Agenda 2030

Statements were made by the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Amina Mohammed; Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development of the European Commission, Neven Mimica; State Secretary for Development Cooperation of Sweden, Ulrika Modéer; Director of the Agency for International Development Cooperation of Spain, Luis Tejada; and Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations, Valentine Rugwabiza.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Switzerland, Norway; and Ireland.

The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations made closing remarks.

Follow-up and review of the financing for development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: General debate - Item 2 (b)

The forum began its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the Minister of Investment and International Cooperation of Egypt, Sahar Nasr (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); the Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development of the European Union, Neven Mimica (on behalf of the European Union); the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Maldives, Mohamed Asim (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States); the Minister for National Development Planning/Head of National Development Planning Agency of Indonesia, Bambang P.S. Brodjonegoro; the Minister of Finance of Bangladesh, Abul Maal Abdul Muhith; the Minister of Economy of Afghanistan, Mohammad Mustafa Mastoor; the Minister of Finance of Tajikistan, Faiziddin Qahhorzoda; the Minister of Finance and Economic Planning/Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning of the Sudan, Mohamed Osman Suliman Elrkabi; the Ministre de l'Economie de la Prospective et de la Programmation du Développement Durable of Gabon, Jean Eudes Régis Immongault; the Minister for Planning of Ghana, George Gyan-Baffuor; the Minister of Finance and Economic Planning of Zimbabwe, Patrick Anthony Chinamasa; the Vice-Minister of Finance of Bangladesh, Kazi Shofiqul Azam (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries); and Secretary of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Charge of Development Cooperation of Madagascar, Bary Emmanuel Rafatrolaza.

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

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83rd-84th plenary meetings

The summary of the 83rd and 84th meetings of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/81).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

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3rd-4th meetings

The summary of the 3rd-4th meetings of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/81).

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Informal meetings

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Wednesday, 25 April 2018

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening regional and international cooperation to ensure peace, stability and sustainable development in the Central Asian Region" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Uzbekistan)

15:00 to 17:00 — Conference Room E

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 25 April 2018

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 7

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 7

High-Level Technical Briefing on the Global Report on Food Crises (A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282) (co-organized by the Delegation of the European Union, the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia, as well as FAO and WFP on behalf of the Food Security Information Network (FSIN))

11:00 to 13:00 — [webcast] — Conference Room 12

Registration

Contact: Mr. Julius Kaess (julius.kaess@wfp.org; 646-556-6903)

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Event entitled "The Role of Education in Peace Building and Sustaining Peace" (S/RES/2282 (2016)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica and the University for Peace)

Thursday, 26 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

Contact: Ms. Rita El Zaghloul (rzaghloul@missioncronu.org)

Interactive discussion around the World Public Sector Report 2018, entitled "Working together: Integration, institutions and the Sustainable Development Goals" (A/RES/70/6) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Division for Public Administration and Development Management)

Thursday, 26 April 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 1

More info

Contact: Mr. David Lung'aho (lungaho@un.org; 917-367-3998)

International Conference on Health and Environment: Global Partners for Global Solutions "Sustainable Energy: Legacy of Chornobyl" (A/RES/71/125) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and the World Information Transfer)

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

Contact: Mr. Vitalii Bilan (vitalii.bilan@mfa.gov.ua; 212-759-7003)

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Panel discussion entitled "From News Literacy to 'Newsgames': Conversations Celebrating World Press Freedom Day" (on the occasion of 2018 World Press Freedom Day) (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Thursday, 3 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

Contact: Ms. Nuha Hamarsha (nuhah@unops.org; 929-274-6217)

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